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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: SRI LANKA'S ROLE IN NACC

FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, NEW DELHI

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1. AS INDICATED BY REFTEL DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO FOLLOW CLOSELY NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR MARC; IN NEW DELHI. REASONS FOR THIS INTEREST REMAIN AS COMPELLING AS FOR PREVIOUS FONMIN SESSIONS AND FOLLOW LOGICALLY FROM ATTENTION DIRECTED TO COLOMBO SUMMIT. SRI LANKA'S ROLE IN THE NACC IS AN OBVIOUS FOCUS OF INTEREST AND REPRESENTS A POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY FOR US. AS WITH PRE-SUMMIT PREPARATIONS, OUR PLANNING FOR NEW DELHI CONFERENCE AS IT RELATES TO SRI LANKA IS TWO-FOLD: THROUGH OUR RELATIONS WITH THE GSL TO DEVELOP SOME INFLUENCE ON SRI LANKA'S

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HANDLING OF SPECIFIC ISSUES OF INTEREST TO US. WE EXPECT TO PURSUE THIS OBJECTIVE THROUGH DISCUSSIONS BOTH IN WASHINGTON AND IN COLOMBO. WE ALSO WISH TO PROFIT BY OUR CONTACTS WITH THE CEYLONSE WORKING LEVEL TO EXPAND OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE AGENDA, POSITION PAPERS, PARTICIPANTS, PROCEDURAL MECHANISM ETC. WHICH WILL FIGURE AT NEW DELHI.

2. OUR SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING THESE OBJECTIVES AT COLOMBO EN-

COURAGES US TO BELIEVE THAT THE EMBASSY IS WELL POSITIONED TO FOLLOW UP ON ITS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE LAST SUMMER. AS A FIRST STEP WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING A PRELIMINARY REPORT ON GSL THINKING ABOUT THE NEW DELHI CONFERENCE AT THIS STAGE AND ON GSL PREPARATIONS TO DATE. ANY INFORMATION POST CAN REPORT ON EXPECTED CEYLONSE Role AT DELHI, ON GSL PERCEPTIONS OF CONFERENCE AGENDA, AND OF COURSE ANY DOCUMENTS EITHER BEING GENERATED BY GSL OR CIRCULATING AMONG NACC MEMBERS, WILL BE VERY HELPFUL. NEW DELHI AND USUN SHOULD BE INCLUDED AS INFO ADDRESSEES ON ALL RELEVANT TRAFFIC.

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